REMARKS

Claims 14-17 are pending. With this amendment, claims 1-13 are cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer, and new claims 14-17 are added. Consideration of claims 14-17 is respectfully requested.

The Examiner has indicated that he received the Information Disclosure Statements filed on February 26, 2002 and August 2, 2004, and has considered all of the citations submitted therewith.

The Examiner has also indicated that he has accepted the formal drawings submitted on February 26, 2002.

Claim Rejections – 35 USC § 102

The Examiner has rejected claims 1-13 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,272,286 to Asada et al. (hereinafter Asada). The cancellation of claims 1-13 renders the rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) to Asada moot.

Applicants have submitted new claims 14-17, which for continuity, are not anticipated by Asada.

Claim 14 includes, among other things, a sequence header. Additional claims 16 and 17 recite a method for recording and reproducing video information, wherein the video information is adapted to an information processing data format that is defined to include video packs of which data is configured by a sequence header containing first aspect ratio information and compressed video data, each of the video packs having a packet header, audio packs of which data is audio information, unit control information packs as managing information including second aspect ratio information, a video object unit including a unit control information pack at the head and including the video packs and audio packs continuing to the unit control information pack, and a video object including the video object unit,

Asada does not disclose or suggest the recited claim 14, including for example, a specific sequence header processing section, or a method for recording and reproducing video information, including among other things, a sequence header, as in claims 16 and 17. Instead, Asada describes a very different system whereby the aspect ratio in the sequence header does not change, and thereby clearly undergoes no processing. <u>See</u>, column 18, lines 8-28. In fact, Asada shows a specific system encoder 1508 that merely extracts the stored data, that is takes, the video data and compressed audio data from a respectively buffer

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location, specifically a video data buffer 1502, and an audio data buffer 1504. See, column

18, lines 20-24.

Therefore, Asada does not disclose or suggest all of the recited features of claims 14 and 16-17. Additionally, with regards to claim 15 which depends from independent claim 14, Asada fails to anticipate claim 15 for at least the same reasons discussed above, as well as the

additional features recited by dependent claim 15.

In view of the above amendments and remarks, Applicants respectfully submit that all

the claims are allowable and that the entire application is condition for allowance.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further is desirable to place the application in better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the

telephone number listed below.

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